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1. Between 26 November and 1 December 1950, the Schuetzen Kaserne on Bernauer Heerstrasse, Eberswalde (N 53/V 08), was apparently still occupied to capacity. About 250 soldiers without caps were seen entering and leaving the administration building near Kramper Chaussee on 30 November. Some of the soldiers carried writing materials. At the same time, about 60 soldiers practiced saluting on the drill field.

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2. The artillerie Kaserne on Freienwalder Strasse was still partly occupied by 2,000 to 2,500 troops. The engines of vehicles were heard from the eastern section of the billeting area on 1 December. Many troops practiced singing while marching at the two drill fields. About 120 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets were being instructed and trained in firing in the area east of the barracks installation. Two groups totaling about 40 soldiers were instructed on the western edge of the billeting area. *

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